

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 418

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5 By: Senator Mahony
6 By: Representative Bisbee

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT AMENDING ARK. CODE ANN. § 6-60-208 TO REQUIRE LOCAL
10 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ATTACH A SEAL, STAMP, OR OTHER SYMBOL
11 TO TRANSCRIPTS AND DIPLOMAS AWARDED TO STUDENTS WHO
12 COMPLETE A CORE CURRICULUM SO AS TO FACILITATE
13 DETERMINATION OF UNCONDITIONAL OR CONDITIONAL ADMISSION TO
14 A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER
15 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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17 "AMENDING A.C.A. § 6-60-208 TO FACILITATE
18 DETERMINATION OF UNCONDITIONAL OR
19 CONDITIONAL ADMISSION TO PUBLIC
20 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION."
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-60-208, pertaining to
26 requirements for unconditional and conditional admission to public four-year
27 and two-year institutions of higher education, is amended by adding a new
28 subsection to read as follows:

29 "(f)(1) On and after May 1, 1997, a school district shall attach a
30 seal, stamp, or other symbol to transcripts and diplomas awarded to high
31 school students who have completed either the college preparatory core
32 curriculum or the technical preparation core curriculum.

33 (2) The transcript of each student shall note which core
34 curriculum the student completed and the student's cumulative grade point
35 average in the core curriculum on a 4.0-point scale."

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1 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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5 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
9 act are declared to be severable.

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11 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
12 hereby repealed.

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14 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General
15 Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the immediate effectiveness of this act
16 is essential to the efficient operation of local school districts, many of
17 whose students will be graduating this spring and will be seeking admission to
18 various institutions of higher education; and that any delay could also work
19 irreparable harm to the public institutions of higher education in this state
20 which must determine whether such students are eligible for unconditional or
21 conditional admission. Therefore an emergency is declared to exist and this
22 act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace,
23 health and safety shall become effective on the date of its approval by the
24 Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it
25 shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which
26 the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the
27 veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house
28 overrides the veto.

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